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Re: Support for Microsoft Settlement

Dear Ms. Hesse,

I am writing to express my support for the settlement that the Department of Justice and several states, including North Carolina, have reached with Microsoft. The settlement represents a reasonable compromise that has obtained bipartisan support. I understand that Microsoft is committed to becoming a more responsible industry leader and has agreed to make many significant changes in its business practices.

As co-chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Information Technology, I will be pleased to see this matter resolved because it will be a boost for the technology sector, a large force in the North Carolina economy. I also believe that the settlement will be positive for consumers by enhancing competition in all aspects of the technology industry.

I urge the Department of Justice and the court to approve this settlement.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Russell E. Tucker".

Russell Tucker